UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

IN RE ROUNDUP PRODUCTS LIABILITY LITIGATION

MDL NO. 2741

ROBIN SMITH,

SHORT FORM COMPLAINT

Plaintiff,

Civil Action No.: **3:21-cv-7208**

v.

MONSANTO COMPANY,.

Defendants.

SHORT FORM COMPLAINT WITH JURY DEMAND

Pursuant to Pretrial Order (PTO) No. 149, in which the parties were ordered to sever the plaintiffs in the case captioned *John Frederick et al. v. Monsanto Company*, originally filed in the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Missouri (Eastern Division) into individual short form complaints for pre-trial work up purposes, Plaintiff Robin Smith provides the following allegations required by the Court in PTO No. 155:

- 1. This case is brought on behalf of Plaintiff Robin Smith.
- 2. This case is brought against Defendant Monsanto Company (Monsanto).
- 3. Plaintiff first filed her case against Monsanto in the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Missouri (Eastern Division).
- 4. Plaintiff incorporates by reference, as if fully alleged herein, the allegations contained in *John Frederick, et al. v. Monsanto Company, Case No. 3:21-cv-03418.*
- 5. Plaintiff resided in Beckley, WV at the time of filing the original complaint against Monsanto.

- 6. Plaintiff currently resides in Beckley, WV.
- 7. Plaintiff resided in Beckley, WV at the time of her diagnosis of Non-Hodgkin Lymphoma (NHL).
- 8. Plaintiff received medical treatment for her NHL in Beckley, WV.
- 9. Venue over this case properly lies in the United States District Court for the Central District of California.
- 10. Jurisdiction is proper based on diversity under 28 U.S.C. § 1332 because Plaintiff is a citizen of West Virginia, a different state than the Defendant's state of citizenship, and the aggregate amount in controversy exceeds \$75,000, exclusive of interest and cost.
- 11. Plaintiff was exposed to Monsanto's Roundup products from in or around 1989 to 2000.
- 12. Plaintiff used Monsanto's Roundup products at the following location: West Virginia.
- 13. Plaintiff was first diagnosed with Non-Hodgkin's Lymphoma in February of 2018.
- 14. Plaintiff(s) bring claims against Monsanto under the following theories of liability: Strict Liability (Design Defect); Strict Liability (Failure to Warn); Negligence; Breach of Express Warranty; Breach of Implied Warranties.

Respectfully Submitted by,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on September 17, 2021, I electronically filed the foregoing with the Clerk for the United States District Court for the Northern District of California using the CM/ECF system, which shall send electronic notification to counsel of record.

/s/ Fletcher V. Trammell
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